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To the Commission:

The most effective, pro-market, and cost-efficient way to ensure high-speed broadband Internet is to create a free, ad-supported, national wireless network.

To build the wireless network, the FCC can hold reverse auctions on the Internet for installing, configuring, and supporting the national wireless network in every state, city, town in the U.S. Eventually, it will be completely ad-supported.

The free network would provide a minimum download speed of 1.5 Mbps and a minimum upload speed of 512 Kbps. This would force those who sell Internet access to be more competitive and creative with their offerings. Each year, you can consider increasing this speed to further encourage competition.

Simply asking the existing Internet providers to be more competitive with their offerings will not work. They have nickel and dimed the consumer for years by offering slow download speeds at high prices, and the price Americans pay per megabit is over 2x the price paid by those living in the U.K.

Thank you for your consideration of my proposal and interest in the American public.

Regards,

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